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THE LEGISLATURE.

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A Division in the Republican Minority of the House as to the Policy to be Pursued.

Insurance Commissioner Wilder to be Succeeded in Office by a Personal Friend of Governor Humphrey.

A Resolution in the Senate for an Interstate Commerce Convention-The Botkin Impeachment Petitions - The Meade County Contest-The Maeting of Kansas Railway Employes-State Notes.

TOPERA Kan Feb 6-Elder and his first bill offer a legislative study. Outside of his functions as a speaker, outside of the merit of the measure or its final fortune as a law, there is still something in teresting in the history of this bill. This is Elder's capacity as a legislator and his duced by Mr. Brown, of Harvey county, tact as a parliamentarian. This decided, emphatic and robust individual is worthy of close attention in the chair, when he presides over a body of volatile, wavering men with firmness but fairness, and "holds

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ould have the power to do. Still, it is not in the chair that he is at his best. When he is in the arena and defies the lion to his teeth, he displays his skill. Elder's first bill was the one taxing notes, etc. It dence of negligence on the part of said railroad): Provided, That this act shall is extremely doubtful whether anybody else could have introduced that self-same not apply to any combustible property stacked within 1/0 feet of the right of way bill and carried it through. What opposition it had was small, but it was fierce and well directed. Yet such opposition was carried like chaff before the wind; and, strange to say, not by superior argument. It was accomplished by parliamentary tact

them level" as no other man picked from

that group of one hundred and twenty-five

Hitherto, Mr. Elder has not been so blissfully successful with his measures. One election case that he spoke forcibly for, was lost. His long, studied and firm argument for the Conger lard bill failed to mplish what be desired and did not ward off defeat. On the last measure, Mr. Elder seems to have adopted a new mode of procedure-not talk, but action; because what he had to say on his first bill was determined later. Each state is to be brief and to the point. He did not argue, and, by arguing, stir up argument, but he contrived to push the thing along as fast the national congress from such state or as possible with a continual fire upon him from the opposition. His whole work was action, not argument. representation of at least five delegates to in which be bore his bill through was basty, inoffensive and efficacious.

In the first place, with the acceleration that characterizes the whole chapter, he takes the bill from away down in the calendar where it would not have been reached for a week, and puts it forthwith territory west of the Mississippi river, and mittee of the whole for consideration. Of course it was attacked, but Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Michigan, his replies were brief, and he repeatedly Wisconsin and Illinois. The executives of attempted to get the first section adopted. He would try, try again, to secure the adoption, and did accept amendments for the sole reason that the work on the bill might go on hastily. Personally, he did not want it modified. He wished to push it through. The second time it came up in and other preliminary proceedings, the the committee of the whole he still kept contest case of Bennett vs. Heber, was up a lively pace and moved the adoption taken up. The majority report was of the sections in quick succession. Any favor of Heber keeping his seat, and the objection to it from the Republican side met with a laconic retort and a motion to adopt the section unamended. If any Allisance member presumed to fault-find a tonic accent, defended the minority relittle, as one of them did (Rice, of Coffey). he was shut off immediately. The bill was not to be talked of, and the Alliance that Heber was at the head of a clique men, if they had any private opinions on who ran Mende county, and was the reprematter differing from Eider's, were afraid to speak them out-all but companies and the moneyed interests this one man Rice, and be was sat down upon. John Sexton, the Republican member from Atchison, was conscientiously black for Mr. Heber. opposed to the bill, and be met it at every turn to battle with it and move that the be indefinitely postponed. But Elder pushed it lively till the last section was dopted and it had been recommended by the committee for passage. He had run the measure through by force of velocitypushing it from one stage to another apidly and with a celerity that appeared and the mode which he employed may be result very doubtful. It is a very serious the most valuable adjunct to successful passage of measures in this house of rop- it can be proven that he has ever seen the resentatives. Action and not discussion is | inside of a bank. what a measure wants to go through all the forms and conditions of legislative occdure and by the manipulation of his that 300 copies be printed for the use of

not as loop to the fact. with the undivided help of the Alliance viding for a committee of five from the side of the house, the Republican members | house and three from the senate to invesare also having a royal good time, gnawing one another's necks and criticizing one | notify him of the place where the investimother's actions. History does not record gation takes place. This was agreed to a nor admit of a suspicion, still it is not at all unlikely that the fragment of men that Leonidas guarded the mountain pass with least \$20,000. The senate will sit as a were quarreting among themselves up to court after the session, and witnesses or of the battle as to what course which are numbered by the hundreds, should be pursued-whether they should will be paid 10 cents a mile. So much for fight hopelessly or get down on their the Alliance's economy. Penny wise, marrow-bones and crave mercy from the pound foolish. If, however, this investichemy. The remnant of the Republican gating committee makes an adverse resarty in the house is doing that very thing, port on Botkin and both the house and One set believe it is policy to to take up with the Ailiance's measures, and another majority, Botkin will be deposed, the imcrowd is just as certain that the becoming way is to fight the extreme measures of Alliance tooth and toe nail.

George Douglass and Rice, of Bourbon are charged with having simply walked er to the enemy, and taking up their abode there and eating and gaming main tenance from the common cauldron, Douglass is accused by his enemies this prother Republicans) of seeking to make sheap buncombe by introducing a resolution, cutting off the salaries of legislator when they are not at work, and of also saking up with Elder's taxation bill when the rest of the Republicans, to a man, erawling. Then Will Rice is accused of taying similar motives—that he (tches with reform and scratches the Alliance fellows' backs with expectations of reciprocity. He wants night sessions.

On the other side there is John Seaton Scaton fights the radical measures of the Alliance at every turn,

sed, submits a written protest. With

the hope that it may be changed, he moves

ful orator, and he uses all his powers to

protest against the Alliance measures that he considers radical and a detriment to the

state. He is forcible, independent, and jealous of his personal domain, and there

s nothing latent about him. What he

thinks he speaks out. He will struggle

against the Alliance legislation to the end.

He would be the last man in the house to

These two factions of the Republican

members in the house go on merrily ac-

cusing each other of servility on the one

hand and obstinacy on the other. It does

seem that the Republican members could

afford to come to an issue more at any

In the house, Thursday afternoon, a motion to reconsider the bill for a revision

of the statutes was introduced. It is said

that some of the members are ashamed of

the action they took on this measure.

They were tired out by a long speech from

a Republican member, and, being disgust-

ed, voted it down. Since, however, they have seen the mistake of their hastiness

and will consent to a reconsideration of

the bill. Strong hopes for its passage are

entertained among quite a number of the

Thursday afternoon the committee of

he whole, with Mr. "Duncan, of Pamp-

kin," in the chair, took up the bill intro-

relating to the liability of railroads for

damages by fire, and after some debate it

was recommended for passage. It pro-

vides that "in all actions against any rail-

way company organized or doing business

in this state for damages by fire, caused by

the operating of said railroad, it shall only

be necessary for the plaintiff in said action

to establish the fact that said fire com-

plained of was caused by the operating of

said railroad, and the amount of his dam-

ages (which proof shall be conclusive evi-

SENATE.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 6.-The senate

passed the morning in wrangling over a

point in parliamentary procedure. Little

Senator Kelly introduced a resolution

states lying between the Ohio river and

the Pacific ocean to join in a commercial

congress, to be held during the spring, and

suggesting Kansas City as place of con

vention, the date of the convention to be

allowed representation in the congress

equal to the whole number of members in

territory, providing that such state or

territory shall be permitted to have a

delegates. A copy of the resolution is to

in the purpose of this meeting.

minority in favor of unseating him.

this legislature.

favor of the minority report.

spoke for Bennett, the contestor

Showalter spoke for Heber.

port. He made a convincing Alliance

Mr. Dumbauld and Hoover spoke in

Leedy, who gained his seat, by contest,

Heber himself wanted the case deferred

until a time when more members were

present, that he might plead his case be-

back in a shadow and grinned greedily. Doolittle introduced a resolution pro

tigate the charges against Botkin, and

It is said that it will cost the state at

unanimously by the house

peachment trial being unnecessary.

bers. The resolution was adopted.

lopted with one solitary "no."

A resolution came up stating that the

two members who were unseated had car-

ried away their postage stamps with them

and providing stamps for the new mem

Another resolution requested the

Washington delegation to work for the

passage of a bill to repeal the national

this to a committee but this was not

anking act. John Eaton wanted to refer

vithout discussion.

The Coffeyville dynamite resolution was

A number of leaves of absence until

drugs, and create a board of pharmacy in

the state of Kansas (by Simmons) was put

Things began to look

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else was accomplished.

go over to the other side.

other time than at present.

Alliance members.

to the judiciary committee. He said there was a question as to the constitutionality of the amendment offered.

Senn didn't like the bill at all, from a farmer's standpoint. He moved that the enacting clause be stricken out.

Tupper was in favor of it. If it was "class legislation" it was the kind he advocated. He didn't think that it was desirable to have incompetent men to comto reconsider. While every vote goes against him, he is not discouraged and will battle with the Alliance to the end of the session. The Alliance has come to understand that they did not gain him over or shut his mouth when they reseated J. H. Reeder. He is a clear thinker and a skill-

vocated. He didn't think that it was de-sirable to have incompetent men to com-pound drugs and hazard the health of the public.

The author of the bill (Simmons) offered an amendment to his bill to meet the Pierson, of Allen, said the instructions

from the druggists of his county were that no such provision as the bill sug-gested was wanted. "Duncan of Pumpkin" also showed a letter from druggists objecting to the bill. Douglass said his instructions were for

its passage.

The bili was finally referred to the ju-

LEGISLATIVE NOTES. TOPERA, Kan., Feb. 6.—In the hous this morning Mr. Coons introduced a peti-tion from eight citizens of Miami count; asking for an investigation of the Osawai-omie Insane asylum, charging that Super-intendent A. H. Knapp is guilty of mis-management. Referred to the judiciary

A bill was introduced providing that the state furnish printed ballots at all elections and to guard against bribery and corruption in elections.

A message was received from the gov-ernor stating that he had signed the bill declaring St. Francis to be the county seat of Cheyenne county.

Four petitions from Stevens, Grant and

Four petitions from Stevens, Grant and Seward counties were offered by Mr. Webb, praying that Judge Botkin be removed from office for corruption and immorality, being a gambler, habitual drunkard and corrupt in office.

Mr. Webb moved that one petition be spread on the journal and 300 copies of the petition from Stevens county be printed for the use of the members. The motion

ty, Mr. Webb moved that one petition be spread on the journal and accopies of the petition from Stevens country be printed for the use of the members. The motion prevailed.

A concurrent resolution offered by Mr. Doolittle, of Chase country, to appoint a committee of five on the part of the house and three on the part of the senate to fully investigate the charges and serve Judge Botkin with a copy of the same, was passed without opposition under a suspension of the rules.

The committee on elections rendered a voluminous report in the matter of the contests between Bennett, Alliance, and Heber, Republican, for the seat as representative from Meade country. They found that Heber, Independent Republican, received 18t votes; Wilson, Republican, 176, and Bennett, Alliance, 125 votes; that witnesses had stated that Heber had made free use of whisky, ovsters and money to nesses had stated that Heber had made free use of whisky, oysters and money to gain his election; that in 1888 he boasted of having bought twenty-three Democrats to down the mugwumps, and had expended \$30 in one township. The committee, however, found a conflict in the testimony, and recommended that Heber be declared

and recommended that fireter be declared the regularly elected representative, and that he be allowed to retain his seat. Action on the report was postponed. In committee of the whole the senate considered appropriation bills providing that the Kansas legislature request the for the state charitable institutions for the next two years, all of which had been recommended favorably. The salary of the superintendent of the deaf and dumb asylum was made \$1,200 instead of \$1,000. There was considerable discussion over Senator Ed Carroll's motion to lay over nutil Tuesday his bill abolishing the metropolitan police law at Leavenworth and Wichita, but the motion was finally agreed

Senator Kelly, of McPherson, introduced such congress. The legislature of each state is requested to name delegates to the a concurrent resolution inviting all states was resumed, between the Ohio river and the Pacific Mr. Ingalls convention, and if the legislature is not in session, the executive shall appoint the

be sent to the executive of each stare and to the following states east of the river: other states are to signify to the executive United States. His persecution cat" insurance companies has been more determined and bitter than that of any in-surance commissioner in the country. The state press has universally approved his

TOPERA, Kan., Feb. 6.-After roll call For more than a year the insurance companies have waged a bitter war against him through their periodicals, and the governor's office has been flooded with marked copies. It is not thought however, that these papers had anything to do with the governor's action. McBride is a close paper had anything to do with the governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the court of claims on that basis, and have governor's action. McBride is a close policy of the house during the house during the present already in the court of the proposed agriculturor college and the courts of two to one. Mr. Bartine said it was not his intention to impugn any member's motive, but he carried out.

The strong point in the president's agreement is the provision for a division of competitive traffic. Without that it is conceded that it would be any report made by the committee in time for value to the railroads, because it would be to see south of us, and the carried out.

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The strong point in th After both statements had been read Senn, the Dickinson member with a Teu-

He wound up with the statement Governor Humphrey said: "Mr. Wilder was not removed. His term of office expires July 1, and I have simply chosen a successor. I am heartily in accord with the general policy which characterized Mr. Wilder's administration." sentative of banking institutions, loan This is a fatal argument against a man in

KANSAS RAILWAY EMPLOYES. TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 6.—The joint legis-ative b and of the railway employes of Kansas concluded its labors this afternoon.

nd most of the members have left for At this morning's session a committee, onsisting of all the railway orders, was elected to remain in Topeka during the

session of the legislature and look after we interests of the rallway employer W. A. Hamilton, of the Brotherho ocomotive Engineers, of Topeka It was postponed. It has been generally strange with such an important bill in conceded that Heber would keep his seat, chosen permanent chairman of the board, and the mode which he comboned his bill through,

and W. H. Barber, of the Order of Rail-way Telegraphers, also of Topeka, was se-lected as secretary. Be ore the board adjourned this after-noon, the following resolution, offered by J. Applegate, of Wichita, was adopted: "Resolved, That it is the sense of the railway organizations of Kansas, in con-vention assembled, that in all elections at which argument against a man in this house if Judge Webb introduced his resolution impeaching Theodore Botkin. He moved which we are required to vote, our support shall go first, last and all the time, to the candidate, irrespective of party, who will best serve the interests of the railway emfirst bill, P. P. Elder has shown that he is members. This carried. Sam Wood stood ploves of the state.

FROM VALLEY CENTER.

VALLEY CENTER, Kan., Feb. 6.— [Special.]—The Shakespeare club and a few invited friends met at the home of Willis Davis, on Saturday night, to commemorate the poet Burns' anniversary f his ancestors had been Scotch instead of

Dr. Robert Burns, whose name might indicate that he was a lineal descendant of the illustrious poet, read "Tam O'Shanter" Other selections from the poet's best works and interesting evening.

The Odd Fellows, Masons, and Grand.

Arms of the Republic have rented and are fitting up the second story of the bank W. Y. Goodrich has let the contract for uilding a nice home on Avenue A. H. C. Boyle made Topeks and the legis sture a visit during the senatorial o about the way Sam Wood and the house are running affairs.

There is an unprecedented call for farms greed to. The resolution was adopted to rent Wheat is in good condition and the farmers generally hopeful.

A BLACK SHEEP.

A number of leaves of absence until Monday were requested.

House bill No. St. an act to amend section 7, chapter 150, laws of 1885, and to of Centerville, Mo., who is charged with of Centerville, Mo., who is charged with poisons, and punish the adulteration of Placerville. Coin. August 25 test Placerville, Colo., August 25, 1890, Howell's arrest will be a great shock to his friends and relatives, as his father and having failed, after the bill has Dr. Neeley wanted this bill recommitted to see time a member of the legislature. WASHINGTON.

SENATE DISCUSSES THE EIGHT-HOUR MEASURE.

The Bland Silver Rider to the Sundry Civil Appropriation Bill Ruled Out.

Small Hopes of the Passage of the Free Coinage Law at the Present Session of Congress.

Committee-Call for a Caucus of the Democratic Members of the House The Latest Silver Pool Testimony-Silver Purchases - General Capital Notes.

The Report of the Raum Investigation

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Mr. Paddock pre-sented a resolution of the Nebraska house of representatives against the passage of the Conger lard bill and in favor of the Paddock pure food bill.

At the conclusion of Mr. Morgan's speech, the senate resumed the consideration of the house bill providing for the adjustment of accounts of laborers, workmen and mechanics, arising under the eight-hour law, and was addressed by Mr.

Morrill in opposition to it.

The bill having been laid aside informally, Mr. Edmunds offered the following order as a privileged one and asked that it be agreed to: Ordered: That, unless otherwise directed, on and after Mon-day next during the residue of the present session, a recess shall be taken (excepting on Saturday's) from 6 o'clock p. m. until So'clock p. m. Mr. Cockrell-Let the order lie over. I

will explain my reasons.

The house amendment on the senate bill to amend the act forfeiting certain railroad land grants was presented and con-curred in, and the bill now goes to the The consideration of the eight-hour bill

Mr. Ingalls inquired whether an esti-mate had been made of the amount in-volved in the bill.

has always stood by his party and made a hard fight for the ticket.

In speaking of McBride's appointment, Governor Humphrey said. "Mr. Wilder accounting officers of the treasury to reaccounting officers of the treasury to re-adjust the accounts of the government workmen on the basis of eight hours for a day's work, and appropriates the amount necessary for their payment. It was agreed that the bill should be voted

Mr. Dawes modified his amendment by striking out the appropriation, and in-structing the accounting officer of the treasury to readjust the claims and report the result to congress.

HOUSE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 .- Mr. McKinley sket unanimous consent for the consid-ration of the bill providing that nothing in the tariff act shall be held to repeat or oir the reciprocity treaty with the

Bland thought the bill should be ered in committee of the whole. Mr. McKinley made a motion that the suse go into committee of the whole for purpose, but withdrew his motion he found that it was impossible to

mit the time of debate.

The speaker laid before the house the senate bill amending the land forfeiture act of Sept. 19, 1800, so that the period within which settlers, purchasers and others, under the provisions of said act, may make application to purchase lands forfeited thereby where such period begins to run from the passage of the act, shall begin to run from the date of promulgan by the commissioner of the general land office of the instructions to the offic-ers of the local hand offices for their direc-tion in the disposition of said lands. The bill was passed with verbal amend-

Mr. Ringham, of Pennsylvania, from the committee on postoffices and postroads, re-perted the postoffice appropriation bill, and it was placed on the calendar. The house then went into committee of the whole (Mr. Payson, if Illinois, in the chair) on the sundry civil appropriation

the chair upon the point of order raised Mr. Dingley, of Maine, against Mr.

Bland's free coinage amendment. ras no debute and the chair immediately receeded to deliver his decision. The de-ision of the chair was very long and susd the point of order.

Bland appealed from the decision, a decision of the chair was sustain.

The decision of the chair was sustained y a vote of 134 to 137. The house then proceeded with the consideration of the sundry civil appropriation

When the world's fair item was reached, is now the worst's tar item was reached, it provoked considerable detate, and, without reaching a conclusion, the committee rose and the house took a recess, the evening session to be for the consideration of private pension bills.

At the evening session the house passed 115 private pension bills and adjourned.

"There was entire absence of any evidence showing or tending to show that any re-frigerator stock had ever been offered for sale to, or purchased by any of the em-ployes of the pension office, or that there was any stock held by any one for the benefit of any of the employes or any of their families." The committee finds that there is no evidence to show any favority ism to Mr. Lemon, or any other attorney, and no truth in the charges that Mr. Lemon procured situations in the pension office for his former employes.

THE FIGHT FOR SILVER.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—The action of the house today in sustaining the decision of the chair (Mr. Payson), by which Mr. Bland's free coinage amendment to the sundry civil bill was ruled out of order, is thought by many to make the sundry civil bill was ruled out of order, is thought by many to make the sundry civil bill was ruled out of order. chought by many to mean that no free coinage bill can pass this congress. There were probably some Republicans who voted to sustain the decision of the chair who himself is a silver man) because they believed that the decision was in accordance with the rules. A direct vote on a free coinage bill may result differently, but it is not clear how a direct vote on such a bill can be had during this con-

gress.

The majority of the coinage committee have decided that they need more information, to be acquired through hearings, before they can vote intelligently on the reporting of any silver bill, and the vote today will probably strengthen them in their position. The silver men have given up all hope of getting any surt of a report from the committee.

from the committee.

Today Mr. Bland and Mr. Breckenridge Today Mr. Bland and Mr. Breckenridge left the committee, refusing to take any further part in the proceedings, since it is evident to them that it was not the purpose of the committee that anything should be done. In doing this they placed all their faith in their ability to force the issue before the house by attaching the provision for free colonies to an anyearing for free colonies. provision for free coinage to an appropria-tion bill. To do this it was necessary, as they all expected, to overrule the decision of the chair, which necessarily would be in accordance with the rules. Today's vote accordance with the rules. Today's vote was a test of their strength on this sort of a motion, and the result makes it evident that no attempt to attach free silver to an appropriation bill in the house can carry. The leaders of the Republicans do not propose to let a free coinage bill go to the president as a rider of an appropriation if they can help it, as this would make his nosition particularly embarrasing and position particularly embarrassing and would probably result in the failure of an appropriation bill, making an extra ses-sion necessary. It is asserted with a posi-tiveness which indicates knowledge, that the president has made up his mind that he will have to veto any bill which carries free coinage, even if it should be one of the regular appropriation bills.

A DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.-A call has been Washington, Feb. 6.—A call has been issued for a caucus tomorrow evening of the Democratic members of the house. The request for a caucus was signed by about twenty Democrats, headed by Messrs. Bland and Euloe. The call does not state the object for which the caucus is called, but it is understood the silver question will be the principal matter discussed and that there will be a general.

THE COINAGE COMMITTEE. Washington, Feb. 6.—The chairman this morning laid before the bonse coinage committee a request from the chamber of commerce of New York for a hearing on COMMISSIONER WILDER REMOVED.

TOPELA, Kan., Feb. 6.—Governer Humphrey sent to the senate for confirmation this morning the appointment of W. H. Mr. Cockrell said that an estimate made by a distinguished member of the house of representatives gave the amount as \$30, then taken on the motion, pending yester day, to strike out that part of Mr. Bland's resolution directing that the closing session be had next Thursday. It resulted adversely to Mr. Bland by 8 to 4, and the same fate awaited amendments to fix Friedrich in the insurance circles of the commerce of New York for a hearing on the silver bill next Thursday. A vote was then taken on the motion, pending yester day, to strike out that part of Mr. Bland's resolution directing that the closing session be had next Thursday. It resulted adversely to Mr. Bland by 8 to 4, and the same fate awaited amendments to fix Friedrich in the bill.

United States. His persecution of "wild-" with the part ment alone the amount would be 85.

ation in the insurance circles of the Inited States. His persecution of "wild-at" insurance companies has been more than that of any insurance companies have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state press have warel a bitter war against the state and offered as a substitute for the house bill the one passed by the senate last congress.

Mr. Incalls characterized the bill as a gatton should be taken. A motion by Mr. Walker to hold evening sessions on Tuestion at issue.

By unanimous consent Mr. Blair with drew a committee amendment, and offered as a substitute for the house bill the one passed by the senate last congress.

Mr. Bratine said it was not his intention to improve a patrine said it was not his intention to improve a patrine said it was not his intention to company and the patrine said it was not his intention to company and the patrine said it was not his intention to company and the patrine said it was not his intention to company and the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said it was not his intention to company action at the patrine said in the patrine said determination for some day when final of the Western Traffic

bind himself to appear and waste his time. It was simply that much time and labor lost. He gave notice that he should consider himself absolutely at liberty to

Owenby that witnesses had stated co gressmen were interested in silver lation, and further declared that never had a silver transaction in his life. Adjourned.

Washington, Feb 6.—At the meeting of the house committee on postoffices and post roads today the postal telegraph bill was laid on the table by a vote of 6 to 4. Mr. Caldwell came in after the vote was taken and asked to be recorded against the motion, to which consent was given. made the vote to lay on the table 6 to 5 It appears that in addition to the list of measures already published, selected by the Republican senstorial caucus last night for consideration, the army reorgan-

ization bill was given a place hext to the Conger lard bill and immediately preceding the interstate commerce bill. The bill to transfer the revenue cutter service to the navy was also assigned a place just after the bank rupter bill and next to the last measure.

The gunboat Concord has been accepted by the distance of the president's association. It is freely predicted today that unless the Atchison makes haste to change its policy the Western Fraffic association will never be put in operation. by the government and is now being fitted out at New York.

A PERSISTENT PRIEST.

St. Louis, Feb. 6.—Father A. J. Hines has appealed his case against Bishop Hogan from Archbishop Kenrick's see to the order of Chairman Finley in which he informs the Jacksonville Southwestern that the tickets of that road from February 10. St. Louis to Chicago will not be bundered by the Alchison after February 10. Chairman Finley acts in accordance with the suthority vested in him by the archives of insobordination. He tried to defend himself, but failed and was supersed. He went to Rome and on his return was ex-communicated by Bishop Hogan. He paid no attention to the order.

Chicago, Fob. 6.—The Atchison people that deleting a wound from which he informs the Jacksonville Southwhich he informs the Jacksonville Southwestern that the tickets of that road from St. Louis to Chicago will not be bundered by the Atchison after February 10. Chairman Finley in which he informs the Jacksonville Southwestern that the tickets of that road from St. Louis to Chicago will not be bundered by the Atchison of St. Joseph, Mo. was necessary in order to convict, and they refused to appear.

WHECKED.

PINE BLUYF, Ark., Feb. 6.—A passenger train on the Cotton Beit road, north bound was proceed by the Atchison of that agreement.

A general passenger agent said. This is being was proceed by the Chicago will not be bunded to pay no attention what they have been the following noises under through nis body, inflicting a wound from the delicin about twenty minutes.

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In the distric Hogan. He paid no attention to the order cutting him off from the Catholic church and continued to act as parish priest in Pierce City. He made a demand of Bishop Hogan for a copy of the acts on which he bases his authority for suspending him. This the bishop refused. He appealed to the archbishop and that official refused to hear the argument as it did not come from priest but an ex-communicant. If Archhop Feehan refuses to listen to his ar-

THE RAUM REPORT.

Washington, Feb. 6.—Representative Mornil, chairman of the Raum investigation of the mine was a mass of flame, interior of the mine was a mass of flame, that been agreed to by his Republican colleges. The Democratic members of the committee will present a minority report. With regard to the refrigerator branch of the meantime hundreds of the investigation the report says:

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A Slight Advance in the Average Price of Commodities for the Week.

The Railroad Combine Organized in New York City in Serious Danger of Collapsing.

The Course of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Company Causing Trouble Among the Members of the Trust A New York Importer's Views on the Brazilian

Treaty-Notes.

New York, Feb. 6.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s

Weekly Review of Trade says:
"Though at a higher level of prices, business continues to exceed last year's on the whole, and is in character more healthy and conservative than usual. The disposition increases to count upon the future for this year at least with confifuture for this year at least with confidence, but speculative tendencies are in United States pays Brazil over \$70,000,000 most respects held in check by the convic-tion that consumers demands may not prove quite equal to last year, on account paying us in return for our manufactures of short crops.

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'The average price of commodities advanced nearly one per cent for the past week, but the advance is almost exclusively in products of which crops were

"Business at St. Louis is of fair volume but not well sustained as before; at Kan-sas City, a fair average for the season, at Denver, improving, and at Omaha and Milwankee quiet. Chicago notes a slight increase in cured meats, hides and wood a heavy decrease in lard and butter; larger sales of dry goods, clothing and shoes, and as expression earlie, trade. It per cent

sicaled, but it is understood the silver question will be the principal matter discussed, and that there will be a general interchange of views as to the course of procedure for the remainder of the session.

SILVER PURCHASES.

Washington, Fab. 6.—The amount of silver offered for sale to the treasury department today was 1,057,000, and the amount purchased was \$67,000 ounces, at prices ranging from \$1.017 to \$1,0225.

THE COINAGE COMMITTEE.

sales of dry goods, clothing and shoes, and an enormous cattle trade, 10 per cent greater than a year ago, and the largest ever recorded in any month.

"Wheat has advanced 2% cents, and corn and oats have advanced 1 cent on molerate rates. Lard is 10 cents per 100 pounds stronger. Cotton is now lower. The exports from New York are falling below isst years, especially in bread stuffs, but there is no present reason for unfavorable influences from foreign trade, and the treasury has in no way disturbed finances. The business failures occurring the last seven days throughout the country number 39, as compared with 230 last week. ber 206, as compared with 230 last week. For the corresponding week last year the figures were 221."

A SHAKY COMBINE

The Santa Fe Company Causing Trouble in the Railway Trust.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—At no time since the H. F. McMintry, coroner ...
residents of the western railroads formu.
B. F. Brown, commissioner presidents of the western railroads formulated their agreement has there appeared so little prospects of a successful lannehing. In the local township the Den

The scheme of dividing the traffic has opening is must earnestly desired by our bind himself to appear and waste his time. It was simply that much time and labor lost. He gave notice that he should consider himself absolutely at liberty to take advantage of every opportunity to bring the matter before the house.

Mr. Bland said he considered the bill as smothered now.

THE SILVER POOL.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—J. M. Donald, cashier of the Hanover National bank, was recalled by the silver pool committee today. He denied most of Owenby's testimony, and practically the statement by Owenby that witnesses had stated contraffic from southwestern Missouri river points and it has been getting less than 30 per cent. Chairman Walter says that ar-nitrators can do nothing in the face of such a state of affairs, and he acknowl-

per cent. Chairman Waiter says that arbitrators can do nothing in the face of such a state of affairs, and he acknowledges that the agreement is broken.

In passenger affairs it is also claimed that the Atchison has willfully violated its pledges. The Jacksonville Sonthwisstern, with which it is allied forming a through line between Chicago and St. Louis, has so disturbed rates between these points that Chairman Finley, of the passenger association has issued an order. passenger association, has issued an order to the effect that the Atchison must no longer recognize the lickets a sonville Southwestern from d by solvine Solvinestern from a horizonte last to do, under the agreement, but nobody believes the Atchison will obey the order, and and the result will probably be its with drawal from the Western Passenger association, in which case it cannot be a mem-

to the New Agreement.

gument, he is determined to go to Rome and will not give up until an ecclesias tical court has passed on his case.

Washington, Feb. 6.—There was a great deal of guesip at the cupital about the president proclaimation in regard to the south Chicago, are on a striar, and the sign works are nearly shift without exception, favorable. A number of income an author of members of the being committee on foreign affairs were seen by a reporter and demand an advance in wage.

A VICTIM OF LYMPH.

that he had great faith that the new treaty with Brazil would have a most beneficial influence on the business interests of this country, and he was glad to perceive that DUN'S WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE
STATE OF BUSINESS.

Country, and he was giant to perceive that business men all over the country were expressing their approbation of the treaty. No one who had not looked into the matter carefully could realize the recent vast development of the trade in South America, and it was of the highest importance that the United States should secure, if not the entire control of this trade, at least not the entire control of this trade, at least a fair share of it, for our trade with Europe has already reached nearly its utmost possible proportions, and we must now seek to dispose of our surplus pro-ducts in new fields.

Representative Hooker, of Mississppi,

WHOLE NO. 2113.

Representative Hooker, of Mississppi, expressed his gratification at the successful outcome of the negotiations with Brazil. It would prove, he thought, a fertunate event for this country, which now, by the system of mutual exchange outlined in the president's proclamation and the correspondence between Secretary Blains and Senor Mendonca, would probably be coabled to secure an appropriate market in South America, where hitherto Great Britain, France, Germany and Italy had enjoyed almost a monopoly.

Representative Ketchura, of New York, briefly but emphasically declared that the effect of the Brazilian treaty would be in the highest degree favorable to American business interests.

NEW YORK, Feb. 6 -"It is the most Im portant step in behalf of commercial development that this government has taken for many years," said Charles R. Flint, when asked by a Times reporter to express an opinion on the Brazilian treaty, Mr. Flint is treasurer of the New York and other products over \$25,000,000 a year, and that great sum will be in active circu-lation throughout the commercial veins of

the country STILLWATER NOTES.

"Reports from all parts of the country indicate a fair volume of trade for the season, easy money, and collections generally fair, although at northwestern p ints and in the greery trade at Philadelphia is slow. The south has the embarrassment of a further decline in the price of cotton, but receipts are large and general trade but receipts are large and general trade somewhat better.

Special degree of STILLWATER, Ok., Feb. 6—Complete unsofficial returns from every precinct show the election of every candidate upon the Republican ticket in Payne country. The anti-Alliance reaction is upon us sooner than we dared hope. The people have repudiated the Terrill-Mattews Clark crew of politicians, and will endeavor to wipe of politicians, and will endeavor to wipe out the stain they have placed upon Payne county. All of Governor Steele's appointees were renominated and re-

> The election for Payne county passed off very quietly and with little excitement There were three full tickets in the and this fact, coupled with bea weather, contributed to a full vote. Republican, People's and Democratic par-ties worked hard for their nominees, but the main fight was between the Republi-cans and the People's party. Some sec-tional and local issues were injected into

J. S. Hunt, county clerk.
Frank A. Hutte, county atterney.
Rufus W. Hoskins, county surveyor
J. J. Darnell, register of deeds.
R. F. McMintry, coroner.

of the Western Traffic association as today. The men who have heretofore argued
that the movement would be pushed to a
successful issue now say that in view of
the obstacles that have been thrown in the
way, they do not see how the scheme can
be carried out.

select Chas. Denart, trustee: Chas. Amoulock, clerk, and J. W. Duck and O. M.
Eyler, justices of the peace; while the Republicans elected C. D. Shaffer, treasurer.
The proposition to issue \$10,000 to bonds
for the proposed agricultured college was
defeated by a role of two to one. More

to the south of us, is exciting considerable no better than the agreements already in grant wagoos are now passing through on their way to the new country. Its speedy

Bostos, Feb. 6 - The Boston Courant, the organ of the colored people in this city, contains this week an editorial orging the president to fill the vacancy caused by the

position.

The editorial says: "Was the line Benjamin Harrison elected by blank men? It was conceded on all hands that he was. Even the president himself scimits it. In view of these indisputable facts a cabinet position is not at all too large a gift for President Harrison to bestow upon the faithful colored Republicans who have made him the head of the nation."

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

ciation, in which case it estimates he a member of the president's association.

It is freely predicted today that unless the Atchison makes haste to change its policy the Western Traffic association will never be put in operation.

THE ATCHISON DEFIANT.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6—The Atchison people have decided to pay no attention what.

Western Traffic association from ever be coming operative.

THE BRAZILIAN TREATY.

Various Expressions of Opinion in Regard

IRON WORKERS STRIKE